

PTO/SB/08A (04-03)

Approved for use through 04/30/2003. OMB 0551-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

**Complete if Known**

Application Number 09/801,187  
 Filing Date March 8, 2001  
 First Named Inventor Kazuyuki Yokokawa  
 Art Unit 1772  
 Examiner Name Nasser Ahmad  
 Attorney Docket Number 11286-01155

Sheet 1 of 1

**U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number/Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)			
NA	US	5,328,269 5238269	08/24/1993	Levine	
	US	2003-0232191	12/18/2003	Ishikawa	
	US	2003-0148056	08/07/2003	Utz, et al.	
	US	2004-0209029	10/21/2004	Utz, et al.	
	US	2005-0089664	04/28/2005	Utz, et al.	
	US	2005-0095388	05/05/2005	Utz, et al.	
NA	US	2005-0208254	11/22/2005	Yokokawa	
	US				
	US				
	US				
	US				
	US				
	US				
	US				
	US				
	US				
	US				
	US				

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	*†
		Country Code <sup>3</sup> Number <sup>4</sup> Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)				
NA	JP	200417541	01/22/2004	Washi no Ishikawa		
NA	JP	05-318672	12/03/1993	Mitsubishi Petrochem		

Examiner Signature	N. Ahmad	Date Considered	2.3.06
--------------------	----------	-----------------	--------

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. <sup>1</sup> Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). <sup>2</sup> See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov) or MPEP 901.04. <sup>3</sup> Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). <sup>4</sup> For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. <sup>5</sup> Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. <sup>6</sup> Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

PTO/B/DRA (04-03)

Approved for use through 04/30/2003. OMB 0551-0001

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Supplement for form 1448/PTO

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1

of	1
----	---

**Complete if Known**

Application Number	09/801,187
Filing Date	March 8, 2001
First Named Inventor	Kazuyuki Yokokawa
Art Unit	1772
Examiner Name	Nasser Ahmad
Attorney Docket Number	11286-01155

## U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

[illegible]

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

[illegible]

Examining Signature	N. Ahmad	Date Considered	2.3.06
------------------------	----------	--------------------	--------

**EXAMINER:** Insist if reference considered, whether or not disson is in conformance with WIPO P01. Draw into through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to Applicant. Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). See Kinds Codex of USPTO Patent Documents at [www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov) or WIPO P01.04. \* Error! Applicant must keep the documents by the two-year code (WIPO Standard ST.3). \* For Japanese patent documents, the individual year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. \* Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. \* Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or collect a benefit by the public which is to be found by the USPTO to process an application. Consideration is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.

193856.1